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# LAWGEM

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Law and Gender

**Syllabus Form**

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<b>Program: Master Academic Studies – Law and Gender –</b>
<b>Course title: Public Policies on Gender Equality</b>
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<b>Course status: optional</b>
<b>Number of ECTS: 3 ECTS</b>
<b>Requirements:</b> Bachelor Degree or equivalent
<p><b>Aims of the course:</b> This course provides a framework for understanding gender perspective in public policy as a government course of action to reach specific objectives and explain the importance of gender mainstreaming in policymaking. The course will aim to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Introduce students to legislation and regulation based on equal opportunities and gender equality policies.</li> <li>2. Stimulate a re-envisioning of gender politics in public policymaking by applying a new approach to understanding them.</li> <li>3. Apply a gender intersectional approach in the analysis of public policies.</li> <li>4. Propose a new method and language for studying and advancing change in policymaking in diverse contexts.</li> <li>5. Apply gender impact assessment as a tool to achieve gender mainstreaming into public policy issues.</li> </ol> <p>More specifically, it aims at presenting specific features of the gender mainstreaming policy-making - demographic policy, fertility, and population policy, social policy, policy against poverty, family support policies, policy to combat violence against women and girls, health policy, environmental policy, climate change policy, economic policy, education, and science policy. It will also demonstrate the results of gender mainstreamed policies and their counterexamples in the same fields of public policies..</p>
<p><b>Course result:</b></p> <p>Upon completing the course, the students will have a general overview of the concept, principles, and aims of all gender-sensitive fields of policymaking: they will know how to apply a gender perspective in the context of public policies. They will also be able to analyze the key political, social, and economic consequences of all policy-making fields from the point of their implications for gender equality. Students will also gain knowledge in 1) public policies legislation and strategic regulation in an international and domestic framework; 2) all fields of relevant public policies and their reconsideration through the lens of gender issues; 3) multisectional and intersectional implications of all relevant public policies on gender equality 4) comparative overview of gender equality policies in all countries related to the LAWGEM project; 5) implementation of gender impact assessment as a tool in developing public policies.</p>

**Course content:**

1. Meaning and aims of gender-sensitive public policies.
2. Gender-sensitive monitoring, gender-sensitive programming of public policies, gender mainstreaming as the tool – EIGE index of gender equality, GEAR Tool, CPIA Gender-Equality Index, UNDP Gender Inequality Index, Gender Impact Assessment.
3. Assess specific gender-sensitive social policies (legal framework and public policies): education, labor market, and poverty and unemployment policies, employment rights, social protection, access to services, gender-based violence, social security of elderly, residential institutions for elderly, poverty, social assistance, child allowance.
4. Family support policies - informal marriages, and rights to property and pensions, LGBT rights, traditional family support policies.
5. Assess gender-sensitive education and science policy - higher education and scientific research: women in academia, gender equality index in a subdomain of power (e.g., participation in bodies that decide on the funding of scientific research and similar topics), acknowledging the importance and relevance of gender studies as scientific topics.
6. Assess other gender-sensitive policies, such as the environmental and climate change policy.
7. Assess the gender sensitive policies related to demography, fertility, and population policies from a gender perspective, i.e., health policy, sexual and reproductive health.

**Literature:****Required reading:**

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- S. Seguino, *Engendering Feminist Economics, Macroeconomic Theory and Policy*, 2019
- M. Verloo, ed. *Multiple Meanings of Gender Equality: A Critical Frame Analysis of Gender Policies in Europe*, CEU Press, English ed. CPS Books. Budapest, New York 2007
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**Additional reading:**

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Z. Tzannatos, Growth. Adjustment and the Labour Market: Effects on Women Workers. World Bank. *Poverty and Social Policy Department*. Washington. D.C. 1995.

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**Instruction method:**

The learning approach will be based on collaborative, inquiry-based, student-centered approach to teaching, in which students are actively involved in their own knowledge acquisition. Primary interest is in stimulating students` critical thinking for better understanding the implementation of gender perspective in every legal branch, including this one. Students will have opportunities to take part in oral presentations, discussion focused seminar classes, writing and defending seminar papers. writing assignments. All students` activities will be taken into account for the final passing of the exam. The rules related to that will be announced in advance in the Exam Instructions.

**Exams (maximum number of points 100):**

Students will have written exam (seminar paper). Pre-exam activities will be also taken into account: Active participation during lectures and practical classes: 40 points; Seminar paper/final exam: 60 points.

Each university will articulate exam instructions in accordance with his/her own system of exams' holding.

**Grading system**

Grading system: A, B, C, D, E, F /10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5 (failed)